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Status

- 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 15 October 2003.
- 2a) This action is **FINAL**. 2b) This action is non-final.
- 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) Claim(s) 1 and 2 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) Claim(s) 1 and 2 is/are rejected.
- 7) Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) The drawing(s) filed on 01 June 2004 is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) All b) Some * c) None of:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1)<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 2)<input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 3)<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08) Paper No(s)/Mail Date <u>August 12, 2004</u>. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4)<input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____. 5)<input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) 6)<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____.
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This Office Action is in response to the papers filed on October 15, 2003.

Claim 2 is objected to because "the circuits of the die" is should read, "the interconnect lines of the die" (see the specification at page 79, paragraph [00292]). Correction is required.

Claims 1 and 2 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by United States Patent 5,909,052 to Ohta et al. (Ohta).

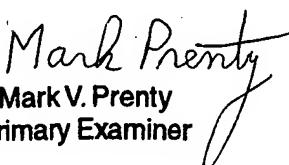
With respect to independent claim 1, Ohta discloses a microchip (see the entire patent, including the Figs. 1-2 disclosure, for example) comprising: a plurality of dies 2 and 3, each made by a separate fabrication process and assembled into a package (note column 17, lines 19-20) with the separate die sections connected directly.

Claim 1 is thus rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Ohta.

With respect to dependent claim 2, Ohta's separate die sections 2 and 3 are connected by interconnects 8 that are widened compared to the [interconnect lines] 5 and 6 of the die.

Claim 2 is thus rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Ohta.

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